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PRIZES AWARDED BY THE FRENCH ACADEMY OF SCIENCES FOR  
THE YEAR 1898.

A long list of awards for distinguished services to science, made by the French Academy of Sciences at its annual meeting on December 19, 1898, is published in the *Comptes Rendus* for that date.

In the Department of Astronomy the awards are as follows:—

The Lalande Prize is awarded to Dr. S. C. CHANDLER for his services to astronomy. The discovery and proof of the variation of terrestrial latitudes, his work with the almucantar, his researches on variable stars, and upon the identity of Comet Brooks (1889 V) with LEXELL'S Comet, are especially mentioned.

The *Prix Damoiseau* was to be awarded for the best treatise on the "Theory of the Perturbations of *Hyperion*, One of the Satellites of *Saturn*." The only essay presented was that by Dr. G. W. HILL, of Washington, to whom the prize was awarded for this and his other researches in mathematical astronomy.

The Valz Prize goes to M. P. COLIN, the founder of the observatory at Tananarive, Madagascar, for his works on astronomy and geodesy.

The fourth astronomical prize, the *Prix Janssen*, is awarded to M. BELOPOLSKY, head of the Department of Astrophysics at the Pulkowa Observatory, for his spectroscopic work, especially in connection with spectroscopic binary stars.

Another award will be of interest to members of the Society — that of the Henry Wilde Prize to Dr. CHAS. A. SCHOTT, of the U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey, for his valuable contributions to the study of terrestrial magnetism in the last thirty years.